

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1.-11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) A recovery tool, for adhering a droplet to a substrate and causing movement in order to inspect the substrate, comprising:

a cylindrical section with a central axis oriented vertically, having an internal space capable of accumulating a droplet,

wherein the cylindrical section is provided at a side section with a groove extending horizontally to connect the internal space to atmospheric space,

wherein a width of the groove is larger than a thickness of the substrate, and

wherein the droplet is adhered to an edge of the substrate.

13. (Original) A recovery tool, for adhering a droplet to a substrate and causing movement in order to inspect the substrate, comprising:

a cylindrical section with a central axis oriented vertically, having an internal space capable of accumulating the droplet, and

negative pressure maintaining means capable of maintaining pressure of the internal space at a pressure more negative than atmospheric pressure when a droplet has been accumulated in the internal space, wherein

the cylindrical section is provided with a first through hole connecting the internal space to atmospheric space at a lower end.

14. (Original) The recovery tool of claim 13, wherein:

the circumference of an edge of the first through hole at the lower end of the cylindrical section forms an annular level surface.

15. (Original) The recovery tool of claim 13, wherein:

the cylindrical section is respectively provided at side sections with a plurality of second through holes having central axes that cross in the same direction with respect to the radial direction, and

the second through holes connect the internal space and the atmospheric space.

16. (Original) The recovery tool of claim 13, wherein:

the negative pressure maintaining means has a negative pressure pipe connecting to the internal space.

17.-18. (Canceled).